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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- Supplemental Reply;
- A copy of the Declaration of Xiaoning Bi and Gary Lynch, executed by Xiaoning Bi and Gary Lynch; and
- One (1) return postcard. 3.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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